

a senior driver for the United States Brass Corporation.

After retirement, Mr. Siebman spent his remaining years devoted to his family, hunting and fishing. He was a tireless worker for conservative candidates in local political campaigns. He was known for his generosity and for being a loyal friend and neighbor.

The family and friends of Moody Newell Siebman will long remember his devotion to his family and to his community, and the legacy of this fifth-generation Texan will continue in the lives of his children and grandchildren.

CELEBRATING THE U.S. GENERAL
SERVICES ADMINISTRATION'S
60TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. EARL BLUMENAUER

OF OREGON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, July 10, 2009

Mr. BLUMENAUER. Madam Speaker, today I am proud to introduce a resolution honoring the Government Services Administration (GSA) for their sixty years of hard work and dedication to federal employees. On June 30, 1949, President Harry S. Truman signed legislation to create GSA and streamline the administrative work of the federal government. The Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949 took effect almost 60 years ago today, on July 1, 1949.

GSA consolidated the National Archives Establishment, the Federal Works Agency and its Public Buildings Administration, the Bureau of Federal Supply, the Office of Contract Settlement and the War Assets Administration. GSA was tasked with administering supplies and providing workplaces for federal employees.

GSA's original mission was to dispose of war surplus goods, manage and store government records, handle emergency preparedness, and stockpile strategic supplies for wartime. GSA also regulated the sale of office supplies to federal agencies.

Today, through the Public Buildings Service, Federal Acquisition Service, various staff offices and 11 regional offices nationwide, GSA provides workspace to more than 1 million federal civilian workers. It oversees the preservation of more than 408 historic buildings. It facilitates the purchase of high-quality, low-cost goods and services from quality commercial vendors.

GSA has a history of providing environmentally sound or sustainable products and services that reduce waste and pollution, and providing federal employees with healthy work environments. GSA's efforts to design, build and manage federal properties in a sustainable and environmentally sensitive manner helps reduce energy consumption by the federal government.

Today, GSA touches the lives of nearly every U.S. citizen by providing goods, services, and workplaces at best value to its federal agency clients. The GSA has worked to ensure that the federal government leads by example—promoting fiscal fitness and environmental responsibility throughout the federal government.

As we mark its 60th anniversary, the GSA is playing a critical role in revitalizing our economy. The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act included \$5.5 billion for GSA

building projects and \$300 million for energy efficient motor vehicles. Just as importantly, GSA is assisting other federal agencies in meeting their goals under the legislation, and has used its technical expertise to support Recovery.gov as part of the government's commitment to openness and transparency.

As GSA enters its seventh decade of service, it does so with a new slogan: "A Legacy of Service, a Pursuit of Excellence," that articulates the agency's storied history and continued excellence on behalf of its customers and American citizens.

I am proud to offer this resolution honoring the men and women who work to keep our government running.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. CAROLYN MCCARTHY

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, July 10, 2009

Mrs. MCCARTHY of New York. Mr. Chair, on rollcall No. 498, on agreeing to the DeLauro of Connecticut Amendment to H.R. 2997, I would have voted "aye."

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. HAROLD ROGERS

OF KENTUCKY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, July 10, 2009

Mr. ROGERS of Kentucky. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the House Republican standards on congressionally-directed funding, I am submitting the following information regarding funding included in H.R. 3082, the Military Construction and Veterans Affairs Appropriations Act, 2010.

Requesting Member: Congressman HAROLD ROGERS

Bill Number: H.R. 3082

Account: MILCON, Army National Guard

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Kentucky Department of Military Affairs

Address of Requesting Entity: Boone National Guard Center, 100 Minuteman Parkway, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601

Description of Request: Provide directed funding of \$1.805 million to complete construction of the Phase IV Aviation Operation Facility—London Joint Readiness Center located in Laurel County, Kentucky. The funding will be used for the construction of two additional (11,400 SF) unheated aircraft storage buildings at the facility. The project is required to fully house the Joint Support Operations equipment and personnel in one facility located in the vicinity of operations. At the conclusion of this project, the unit will be able to respond quicker and in a much more efficient manner which will allow a greater return on investment funds spent on the operation.

HONORING THE LIFE OF JOHN
WISE "JAY" ADKISSON

HON. RALPH M. HALL

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, July 10, 2009

Mr. HALL of Texas. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the memory of a dedicated

serviceman, excellent businessman, and community activist, Mr. John Wise "Jay" Adkisson of Greenville, Texas.

Born on October 5, 1920, to John Wise Adkisson Sr. and Lenna McCandless Adkisson in Greenville, Texas, Jay graduated from Greenville High School in 1938 and from Texas A&M University in 1942, with a Bachelor of Science Degree in landscaping architecture. He was also a member of the Fightin' Texas Aggie Band. Shortly thereafter, he attended the U.S. Naval Midshipmen's School at Columbia University in New York, NY and upon graduation, was commissioned an ensign in the U.S. Navy. For the remainder of WWII, he served in the South Pacific as commanding officer of a Landing Ship Medium (LSM) and was honorably discharged having obtained the rank of full lieutenant.

In 1946, Jay returned to Greenville to join in the operations of the family business, Wise Adkisson & Sons Florist, Greenhouse, and Nursery. In 1996, Jay was elected as President of the Texas State Florists Association (TSFA) and in 1978 he received the TSFA Lifetime Achievement Award in recognition of his numerous contributions to the floral industry.

In addition to his work in the floral business, Jay was a dedicated public servant. He was elected for two terms as Greenville City Councilman and Mayor Pro-Tem in the 1960s, served as Chairman of the Administrative Board for Kavanaugh United Methodist Church, member of the Greenville Lions Club, and Director of the Greenville Lake Club. He was also involved in the adult leadership of Boy Scouts of America and the Hunt County Aggie Club.

Jay is survived by his wife of 61 years, and business partner Nita Lee "Tubby", son Richard Wise Adkisson and wife Jan, son John Jay Adkisson and three grandchildren, Benjamin, Rebecca and Rob Adkisson, sister Mary Ward, brother Dr. Mike Adkisson and wife Beverly, great-granddaughter Bailey, and numerous nieces and nephews.

Madam Speaker, I am privileged to have known such a wonderful citizen of Greenville, Texas, who leaves a legacy of service that will be long remembered.

HONORING THE SERVICE AND
BIRTHDAY OF JAMES R.
PAULSON, UNITED STATES NAVY

HON. DARRELL E. ISSA

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, July 10, 2009

Mr. ISSA. Madam Speaker, I rise today to join in celebrating the 90th birthday of James R. Paulson, a veteran of World War II, a philanthropist and a leader in business.

As a lieutenant in the U.S. Navy, James R. Paulson was the skipper of a Sub Chaser "SC671", conducting mine-sweeping operations in Alaska's treacherous seas along the Aleutian Islands from the North Pacific to Japan during WWII.

Jim met his beautiful wife Marijane Lewis in 1938 and they were married four years later, just days before he deployed to the North Pacific. Together they raised four wonderful children.

He received his undergraduate degree from University of Puget Sound, in WA. His career

as a Certified Public Accountant brought him much acclaim and he sat on the Board of Regents for 25 years at University of Puget Sound.

He was one of the founders of the Tacoma Foundation and was a major supporter of it.

He was a consultant and service provider with the Weyerhaeuser family, and headed a group of companies he brought together under the holding company name "Comerco." These companies included Alaska Fish Fertilizer, Olympic Stain, Dawson Insurance and 23 other companies. They merged with the Clorox Company and at that time Big Jim, as he is known by his friends, served on the board of directors of Clorox.

Not one to stand on the sidelines, Jim has been a lifelong public activist, working to protect the American way of life and the sacrifices that he and so many Americans have made to protect our freedom.

Jim stands as a testament to the American spirit. Born of immigrant parents from Norway, he made his own way in the world, and made significant contributions to his family and his country. From nothing, he built a corporate network providing high quality careers for thousands of employees and providing valuable services and products to the nation and the world.

We are fortunate to have James R. Paulson as a friend and fellow American.

CONGRATULATING NEW CITIZENS

HON. PETER J. VISCLOSKY

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, July 10, 2009

Mr. VISCLOSKY. Madam Speaker, it is with great pleasure and sincerity that I take this time to congratulate the individuals who will take their oath of citizenship on July 4, 2009. In true patriotic fashion, on the day of our great Nation's celebration of independence, a naturalization ceremony will take place, welcoming new citizens of the United States of America. This memorable occasion, coordinated by the Hammond Public Library and presided over by Magistrate Judge Andrew Rodovich, will be held at Harrison Park in Hammond, Indiana.

America is a country founded by immigrants. From its beginning, settlers have come from countries around the globe to the United States in search of better lives for themselves and their families. The upcoming oath ceremony will be a shining example of what is so great about the United States of America—that people from all over the world can come together and unite as members of a free, democratic nation. These individuals realize the great things America has to offer. They realize that there is nowhere else in the world that offers a better opportunity for success and a good life than here in America.

On July 4, 2009, the following individuals, representing many countries throughout the world, will take their oath of citizenship in Hammond, Indiana: Daniele Giuseppe Manfre, Ugochi Genevieve Okoro, Ilidoro Natanael Nevarez Rivas, Ravindranath Chigurupati, Leela Rani Chigurupati, Tran Quynh Nguyen, Miroslav Tepavac, Du Lin, Rosalia Navarrete, Igor Dmitriy Harris, Lubov Mullens, Rogelio Hernandez Plata, Erika Blackburn, Dhanwant

Singh Sidhu, Konstantina Andreas Prokopos, Oluwabusola Anuoluwapo Binutu, Jori Beniaminovitch Tsvik, Nelia Prokophievna Repkina, Abdulla Hussein Abdelqader, Ikram Sharawi, Juan Montoya Garcia, Jesus Loe Baeza, Humaira Sameer Minhas, Maribel Orozco De Loe, Marilyn Vincoy Morana, Anatoly Fedorovich Kolesnichenko, Inna Veniaminovna Borysova, Vesna Balac, Ruchira Shukla, Jacklyn Luong, Joanna Jadwiga Pierce, Rolee Khurana, Nikoleta Maginas, Yousef Shurri Qarbit Al Armani, Said Yousef Musleh, Mohammed Ben Wanes, Juan Jose Lopez Moreno, Milena Losic, Alma Laura Nunez, Ramadan Amzai, Jose Antonio Garcia Guzman, Dao Chieu Anh Hui, Yasmeen Mohammad Yaseen ShreeiQun, Kamila Hendzel, Natalia Pelc, Truc Phuong Thi Lai, Katarzyna Jowita Przybyla-Kelly, Tanja Ognenovska, Suwit John Sangkaratana, Chirag Patel.

Though each individual has sought to become a citizen of the United States for his or her own reasons, be it for education, occupation, or to offer their loved ones better lives, each is inspired by the fact that the United States of America is, as Abraham Lincoln described it, a country "... of the people, by the people, and for the people." They realize that the United States is truly a free nation. By seeking American citizenship, they have made the decision that they want to live in a place where, as guaranteed by the First Amendment of the Bill of Rights, they can practice religion as they choose, speak their minds without fear of punishment, and assemble in peaceful protest should they choose to do so.

Madam Speaker, I ask you and my other distinguished colleagues to join me in congratulating these individuals, who will become citizens of the United States of America on July 4, 2009, the day of our Nation's independence. They, too, will be American citizens, and they, too, will be guaranteed the inalienable rights to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. We, as a free and democratic society, congratulate them and welcome them.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. KEN CALVERT

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, July 10, 2009

Mr. CALVERT. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding an earmark I received as part of the House-passed version of H.R. 3082, the Military Construction and Veterans Affairs Appropriations Act, Fiscal Year 2010.

Requesting Member: Congressman KEN CALVERT

Bill Number: H.R. 3082

Account: Military Construction, Air Force Reserve

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: March Air Reserve Base, Riverside, CA

Address of Requesting Entity: March Air Reserve Base, 610 Meyer Drive, Riverside, California 92518-2166

Description of Request: I have secured \$9,800,000 for the Small Arms Firing Range, March Air Reserve Base. It is my understanding that the funds will be used to construct an adequately sized and configured

small arms firing range which is required for training and maintaining the standard of current Air Force preparedness. The project also includes office space, classrooms, and equipment with fire protection and security alarm, lightning protection and explosion proof electrical which would bring the facility up to current force protection standards. The existing firing range was built in 1942 and is sub standard as a training facility. It is located approximately 5 miles away from March ARB and creates security, safety, and health and maintenance problems. Without funding the current facility will deteriorate further and will not be able to meet the training and readiness requirements of the base. Security, health and safety will be a concern and may cause the existing firing range to shut down. The range closure will seriously impact the small arm training, Force Protection and Personnel Combat Arms requirement for Reserve and National Guard units.

HONORING THE RETIREMENT OF LIEUTENANT CLAUDE FRISBIE, AFTER 35 YEARS

HON. JIM GERLACH

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, July 10, 2009

Mr. GERLACH. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor a dedicated public servant from Chester County, Pennsylvania has retired after a 35-year career with the West Whiteland Township Police Department.

Lieutenant Claude A. "Friz" Frisbie was among the first police officers hired when West Whiteland established its department in 1974. After courageously serving his country during two tours in Vietnam with the 101st Airborne Division, Lieutenant Frisbie was eager to play a leading role in the newly-formed West Whiteland department.

He supervised the Patrol Division and directed operations, coordinated training, and provided scheduling for four patrol teams. One of Lieutenant Frisbie's first initiatives was creating a Traffic Unit to address the substantial traffic issues in the Township and to better serve its citizens.

Lieutenant Frisbie's valor and professionalism in the line of duty have earned him several Commendations of Merit, Heroism and Bravery. He also has earned the respect of his peers and served as mentor and source of inspiration to younger officers.

Lieutenant Frisbie's remarkable career and accomplishments will be celebrated on Friday, July 17, 2009 during a dinner at the Downingtown Country Club.

Madam Speaker, I ask that my colleagues join me today in praising the outstanding service of Lieutenant Claude A. Frisbie, and all those who take an oath to serve and protect their communities.

RECOGNIZING THE SUNSET BAY VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY NO. 1

HON. BRIAN HIGGINS

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, July 10, 2009

Mr. HIGGINS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the Sunset Bay Volunteer Fire